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U.H.J. order to mislead others we think it necessary to tell you plainly that it was not the Intention nor is it the Desire of this House to have a Poll Tax laid for Payment of the Publick Creditors if their shall be Money enough in the Treasury for that Purpose exclusive of what has been raised for His Majesty's Service, We are very far Gentlemen from being desirous to lay any Burthen on the Inhabitants that can possibly be avoided, and well would it be for the Good People of this Province of whose Applause You seem so Confident, if it was as much in our power as Inclination to lighten those that will Necessarily fall on them

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Signed p Order John Ross Clk. Up. Ho.

A Message from the Lower House by M.r Sullyvan & Jacobs By the Lower House of Assembly 26.th November 1763 May it Please your Honours

We cannot help expressing our real concern and Disappointment at your sending down the Bill making provision for the defense [The message which begins thus is printed in full in the Lower House journal pp. 411-412]

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A Bill from the Lower House by Mess.rs Hanson and Wright Ent.d An Act for the Better regulating of Ordinarys and Ordinary Keepers within this Province thus Endorsed.

By the Lower House of Assembly 26 Nov. 1763. Read the first and second time by Especial order and will pass Signed p order MMacnemara Clk Lo Ho:

Richard Lee and Benedict Calvert Esq. rs, sent to the Lower House to acquaint the Speaker that his Excellency requires his immediate Attendance with the Lower House to see the Bills passed both Houses this Session receive the Assent. The Lower House Attend and by their Speaker present to his Excellency the following Bills.

A Bill entitled, An Act to prohibit raising of Swine, and Geese in Charles Town in Charles County.

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A Bill entitled, An Act Impowering the Justices of Prince Georges. and Charles Counties, to Levy on the Taxable Persons of S.t Johns (commonly called King Georges Parish, in the said Counties, the sum of Fifty Six Thousand Pounds of Tobacco for the necessary Enlargement of their Parish Church.

A Bill entitled, An Act for imposing an Additional Duty of Two Pounds p Poll on all Negroes imported into this Province.

A Bill entitled an Act to continue the Power of Sheriffs and Collectors, under the Act entitled, An Act granting a Supply of Forty Thousand Pounds for his Majestys Service, and Striking Thirty four Thousand and Fifteen Pounds Six Shillings thereof, in Bills of Credit, and raising a Fund for sinking the same, in Collecting and Accoutning for the several sums due in Value of that Act.